



Presentation to:	Arizona Public Safety Communications Advisory Commission
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On June 25, 2013, the Regional Wireless Cooperative hosted a meeting of system administrators from across Arizona at the Maricopa Association of Governments Offices in downtown Phoenix.



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These regional systems participated in the forum:

(Alphabetical by organization)

- Arizona Department of Public Safety / Kevin Rogers
- Maricopa County Wireless System / Tom Crosby
- Northern Arizona Regional Communication System / GT Fowler
- Phoenix Fire Department / Doug Mummert
- Pima County Wireless Integrated Network / Paul Wilson
- Regional Wireless Cooperative / David Felix
- Topaz Regional Wireless Cooperative / Dale Shaw
- Yuma Regional Communications System / Greg Wilkinson



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Tuesday, June 25, 2013 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

AGENDA

10:00 a.m. Welcome, introductions, and overview

System Presentations, topics on each system to include:

- Governance

- Technology overview

- Future projects and enhancements

Order of presentations:

- Regional Wireless Cooperative / Phoenix Fire Department

- Topaz Regional Wireless Cooperative

- Maricopa County Wireless System

- Flagstaff / Northern Arizona Regional Communication System

- Yuma Regional Communications System

- Pima County Wireless Integrated Network

- Arizona Department of Public Safety

12:00 p.m. Working lunch delivered while presentations continue

1:00 p.m. Open discussion, topics to include:

- Sharing opportunities

- Economies of scale

- National Public Safety Broadband Network

- Role of the Arizona Public Safety Communications Commission

- Next steps



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Outcomes and Action Items

- System briefings which provided an understanding of the governance structure of each system
- System briefings which provided an understanding of the technical structure of the eight major regional public safety radio communication systems
- Major projects in progress or on the horizon for each system
- Significant governance or technical challenges facing each system
- Discussions surfaced several infrastructure sharing opportunities such as:
 - Partnership between DPS and Northern Arizona Regional System
 - Partnership with Maricopa County who is acquiring access to and building new sites



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Outcomes and Action Items

- Identified the critical need for modernizing the state's public safety communications system to provide operability for state users and connectivity between regional systems
- Discussed first steps to support the state's public safety communications system through a coordinated outreach and education process
- Discussed the role of the Arizona Public Safety Communications Advisory Commission (PSCC), its mission and priorities and its impact on statewide public safety radio systems
- Identified the need for system administrators to meet at least biannually to continue information sharing, updates on system progress, problem solving and cost saving opportunities





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